

OPINION 600

ISCHNOPODA STEPHENS, 1835, AND *TACHYUSA* ERICHSON, 1837
(INSECTA, COLEOPTERA); DESIGNATIONS OF TYPE-SPECIES
UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

RULING.—(1) Under the plenary powers: (a) all designations of type-species for the nominal genera *Ischnopoda* Stephens, 1835, and *Tachyusa* Erichson, 1837, made prior to the present Ruling are hereby set aside;

(b) the nominal species *Staphylinus leucopus* Marsham, 1802, is hereby designated to be the type-species of *Ischnopoda* Stephens, 1835;

(c) the nominal species *Tachyusa constricta* Erichson, 1837, is hereby designated to be the type-species of *Tachyusa* Erichson, 1837.

(2) The following generic names are hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) *Ischnopoda* Stephens, 1835 (gender: feminine), type-species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1)(b) above, *Staphylinus leucopus* Marsham, 1802 (Name No. 1419);

(b) *Tachyusa* Erichson, 1837 (gender: feminine), type-species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1)(c) above, *Tachyusa constricta* Erichson, 1837 (Name No. 1420);

(c) *Thinonoma* Thomson, 1859 (gender: feminine), type-species, by monotypy, *Aleochara atra* Gravenhorst, 1806 (Name No. 1421);

(d) *Atheta* Thomson, 1858 (gender: feminine), type-species, by monotypy, *Aleochara graminicola* Gravenhorst, 1806 (Name No. 1422);

(e) *Acrotoma* Thomson, 1859 (gender: feminine), type-species, by monotypy, *Aleochara aterrima* Gravenhorst, 1802 (Name No. 1423).

(3) The following specific names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) *leucopus* Marsham, 1802, as published in the binomen *Staphylinus leucopus* (type-species of *Ischnopoda* Stephens, 1835) (Name No. 1732);

(b) *constricta* Erichson, 1837, as published in the binomen *Tachyusa constricta* (type-species of *Tachyusa* Erichson, 1837) (Name No. 1733);

(c) *atra* Gravenhorst, 1806, as published in the binomen *Aleochara atra* (type-species of *Thinonoma* Thomson, 1859) (Name No. 1734);

(d) *graminicola* Gravenhorst, 1806, as published in the binomen *Aleochara graminicola* (type-species of *Atheta* Thomson, 1858) (Name No. 1735);

(e) *aterrima* Gravenhorst, 1802, as published in the binomen *Aleochara aterrima* (type-species of *Acrotoma* Thomson, 1859) (Name No. 1736).

(4) The following generic names are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) *Pischnopoda* Tottenham, 1939 (a junior objective synonym of *Ischnopoda* Stephens, 1835) (Name No. 1490);

(b) *Chyusata* Tottenham, 1945 (a junior objective synonym of *Tachyusa* Erichson, 1837) (Name No. 1491).

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 244)

The present case was submitted in January 1947 by Mr. C. E. Tottenham, through the Committee on Generic Nomenclature of the Royal Entomological Society. An application was prepared which was sent to the printer on 14 July 1959, and was published on 15 December 1959 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 17 : 72-75. Public Notice of the possible use by the Commission of its plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (*Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 4 : 51-56).

Support for Mr. Tottenham's proposals was received from E. C. Pelham-Clinton (*Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 17 : 198), A. A. Allen, C. H. Seever, and H. Last (*Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 17 : 322).

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 13 October 1960 the Members of the Commission were asked to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (60)16, either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 17 : 74-75. At the close of the Voting Period on 13 January 1961 the state of the Voting was as follows :

Affirmative Votes—twenty-three (23), received in the following order : Hering, Riley, Holthuis, Mayr, Prantl, do Amaral, Dymond, Lemche, Vokes, Jaczewski, Obruchev, Key, Alvarado, Stoll, Mertens, Evans, Kühnelt, Bonnet, Brinck, Tortonese, Miller, Poll, Uchida.

Negative Votes—none (0).

On Leave of Absence—one (1) : Bradley.

Commissioners Boschma and Hemming returned late affirmative votes.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on Official Lists and Indexes by the Ruling given in the present Opinion :

- Acrotona* Thomson, 1859, *Skand. Coleopt.* 1 : 38
aterrima, *Aleochara*, Gravenhorst, 1802, *Coleopt. micr.* : 83
Atheta Thomson, 1858, *Öfvers. K. svensk. Vetensk.-Akad. Förhandl.* 15 : 36
atra, *Aleochara*, Gravenhorst, 1806, *Mon. Coleopt. micr.* : 162
Chysata Tottenham, 1945, *Proc. roy. ent. Soc. Lond.* (B) 14 : 70
constricta, *Tachyusa*, Erichson, 1837, *Käf. Mark. Brandenb.* 1 : 307
graminicola, *Aleochara*, Gravenhorst, 1806, *Mon. Coleopt. micr.* : 176
Ischnopoda Stephens, 1835, *Ill. brit. Ins.* (Mand.) 5 : 430
leucopus, *Staphylinus*, Marsham, 1802, *Coleopt. Brit.* : 506
Pischnopoda Tottenham, 1939, *Proc. roy. ent. Soc. Lond.* (B) 8 : 226
Tachyusa Erichson, 1837, *Käf. Mark. Brandenb.* 1 : 307
Thinonoma Thomson, 1859, *Skand. Coleopt.* 1 : 35

CERTIFICATE

WE certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (60)16 were cast as set out above, that the proposal set out in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted, under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 600.

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